

HOUSE BILL 3022

By Harwell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 30, definitions of suspension, expulsion, remand.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3007, is amended by adding a new subsection (h):

(h) For the purposes of this part, for recording and coding student absences from school because of disciplinary actions, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) "Suspension" shall be defined as dismissed from attendance at school for any reason not more than ten (10) consecutive days. Multiple suspensions shall not run consecutively nor shall multiple suspensions be applied to avoid expulsion from school. The school district shall remain eligible to receive funding for a suspended student.
- (2) "Expulsion" shall be defined as removal from attendance for more than ten (10) consecutive days or more than fifteen (15) days in a month of school attendance. Multiple suspensions that occur

consecutively shall constitute expulsion. The school district shall not be eligible to receive funding for an expelled student.

(3) "Remand" shall be defined as assignment to an alternative school.

The student so assigned shall be included in ADA/ADM and will continue to be counted as present for funding purposes. The State Department of Education shall establish a set of codes to be used for reporting reasons for students on remand to an alternative school.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.